

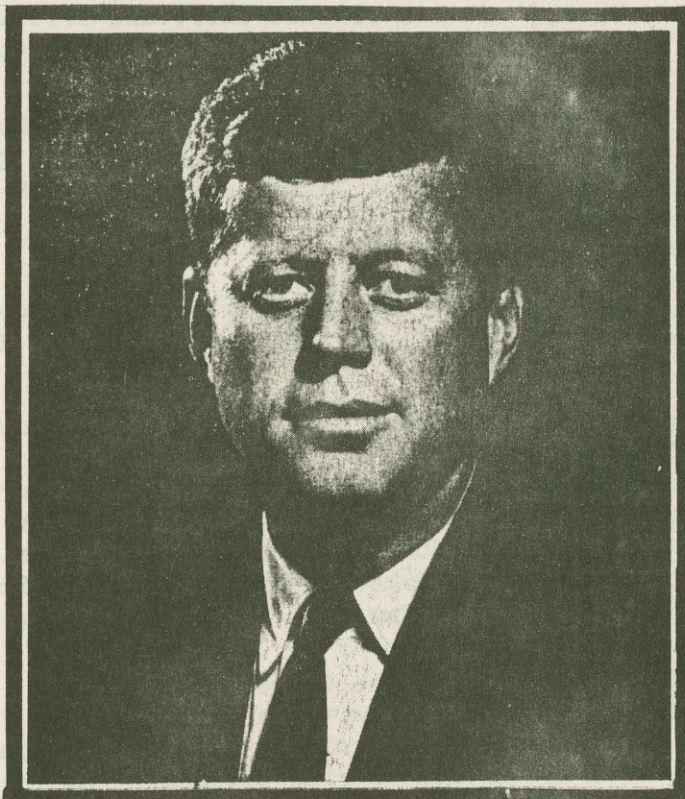
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The following telegram was sent, in behalf of the APIC, upon hearing of the assassination of our President, John F. Kennedy:

The 200 members of the American Political Items Collectors have been shocked by the news of the President's assassination. John F. Kennedy was truly a dedicated American and lived his life, and gave his life, in the service of his Country. We of the APIC now dedicate ourselves to instill in others a greater pride of our Country, and of the honor due this high and awful office. If all Americans will so dedicate, good can come from this evil deed.

U. I. Chick Harris, APIC President.

The great shock of President Kennedy's assassination has caused all of us, I'm sure, to reflect and wonder if any of our actions, attitudes, utterances, or prejudices could have indirectly helped to cause this tragedy. There is so much disrespect for high office and for authority in general. We, of the APIC, can be leaders in awakening a renewed sense of respect and honor due any man filling that high and awful position. To this cause each of us should dedicate ourselves, for we have many more opportunities than the average American. We are often called upon to discuss our hobby before youth or other organizations, we can with the help of libraries and other research facilities prepare an interesting narrative, showing that our great Americans were true politicians—and that politics isn't a dirty word. Of course the crooked politicians make the headlines but are in the very small minority; most are dedicated men, just as was John F. Kennedy. CAN WE COUNT ON YOU, TO DO YOUR SHARE?

MEDALLIC HISTORY OF JOHN F. KENNEDY, HIS BADGES AND BUTTONS.

By Nathan N. Eglit, APIC #20

The medals of John F. Kennedy:

Since the events that are part of the John F. Kennedy story from the campaign of 1960 to his tragic death are so immediate in the memory of most Americans, the writer will forgo any recapitulation of that short and brilliant career. Like a 'shooting star', he flashed across the tapestry of American history. His metallic record is for that reason very brief.

During the campaign of 1960, there were, of course, myriads of buttons, pin-backs, studs, jewelled items and other election paraphernalia. Significant are some of the pins with the motto, 'Back Jack', and those with a representation of the PT 109 to remind voters of his war record. All of these will be valuable collectors items today.

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During the campaign one election medal was issued showing Kennedy and Johnson which is described as follows:

Obverse: Kennedy and Johnson, facing, their names beneath portraits; inscription around edge: Kennedy and Johnson, the best men for the jobs.

Reverse: Donkey head in center, 1960-Vote in November. Inscription around edge: Put a Democrat back in the White House. Vote Democratic.

Issued in silver and nickel silver, 39mm. A similar piece was issued for Nixon and Lodge. (See Coin World, November 10, 1960)

One piece was issued in connection with the Convention:

Shows a kicking donkey on both sides, with the inscription, "Democratic National Convention, July 1960, Los Angeles, Calif.," in bronze, 40mm.

This piece was issued with and without a ring attachment at the top.

The first medal issued after his election was the inauguration medal, distributed by Coin and Currency Institute in gold, silver and bronze. This was authorized by the Inaugural Committee and produced by the Medallic Art Co. of New York. The sculptor of the medal was Paul Manship.

Obverse: Bust of Kennedy to the left, and his name above. Reverse: The President's Seal, his title and the inaugural date, January 30, 1961. The size is 70mm.

The various Presidential and Executive Branch medals:

The Executive Branch medals series by Philip Kraczkowski. Obverse: Depicts Kennedy and Johnson. Reverse: Appears the seals of the president and vice-president, their names and their number in the chain of successions, 35th president and 37th vice president.

This piece was made by the Robbins Co., in silver bronze, 70mm.

A goldene token was issued for Kennedy in the uniform size of the previously issued presidential series produced by the Osborne Company of Cincinnati. Kennedy is on the obverse and on the reverse is the inscription "Jack" Harvard graduate, Navy 1941-1945, Congress 1947-1953, Senate 1953-1961, inaugurated January 20, 1961, 28mm.

Next we have the regular medal in the Presidential Series issued at the Philadelphia Mint, by the Mint artists Roberts and Gasparro, which is available in bronze for sale to the public.

Another medal is one issued by the Munich Mint commemorating his trip to West Germany, on which he appears with Adenauer.

A very fine piece was issued from a West German private mint showing the head of Kennedy to the left and the presidential seal on reverse. This was issued in gold and silver, 37mm.

Another medal for Kennedy is the recent one issued by Presidential Arts as part of their Presidential Series. The sculptor who designed this piece is Ralph J. Menconi. This was issued in gold, platinum, silver and bronze. (On his recent trip to Europe when he met with Khrushchev in Vienna, the President brought along a thousand of these medals which were distributed in the countries he visited.)

The first and only medalet issued after his inauguration of a political nature is the sterling silver medalet issued in connection with his first public appearance at the Reception and Dinner of the Cook County Democratic Party, at McCormick Place on April 28, 1961, which was sponsored by Mayor Richard J. Daley of Chicago, as chairman of the party.

On obverse is Kennedy's bust to left and his name above and reverse the inscription relating to the occasion. A ring attachment is at the top which was hung on a key chain, 27mm. (This was presented to each person holding a \$100 ticket at the dinner, which incidentally this writer attended.)

In 1960, John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon raised electioneering to a new dimension with their television debates. These debates were undoubtedly the margin of victory for JFK as it made him known to the country within a few short months. These debates in the annals of American political history will always be remembered.

Campaign methods have changed but the wearing of badges and buttons has not gone out of style. Up to the election of 1896, the main type of election badge was a token or medal strung on a ribbon that was pinned to the person. Such medals and tokens are within the scope of a specialized field of numismatics.

In 1896 a new type of badge, the pinback button made of tin was introduced. This was coated with a film of celluloid or related substance on which was printed the candidate's portrait or other election inscriptions.

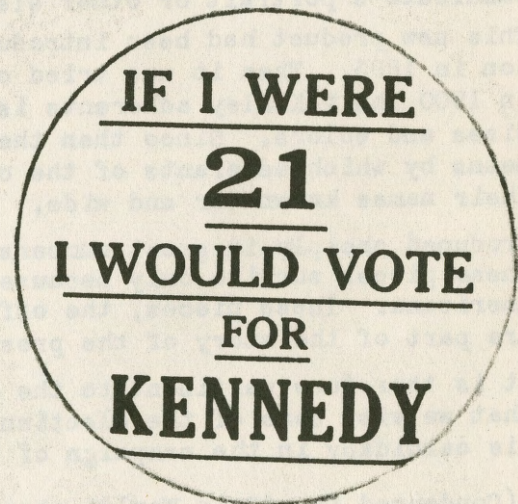
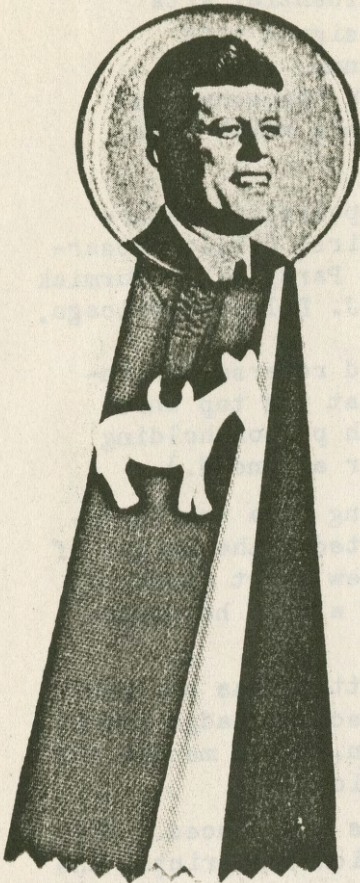
This new product had been introduced in a limited manner at the Columbian Exposition in 1893. Then it was tried out in the campaign of 1896, also in a limited way. In 1900 the McKinley adherents issued a great number of pieces in many different sizes and colors. Since then the pinback and its variations have been the favored means by which adherents of the candidates could display their loyalty and make their names known far and wide.

Produced cheaply in great numbers and being expendable once the election was over, these pieces survive only because of a hard core of collectors of this type of Americana. These pieces, the offshoot of numismatics, are collectors' items. They are part of the story of the presidency.

It is therefore pertinent to the continuity of the story of John Fitzgerald Kennedy that we view some of the election badges and buttons that were issued in behalf of his candidacy in the campaign of 1960.

(Condensed from 'Coin World' magazine, with their permission.)





S. Wilson Photo

This is not a price list, but strickly to be considered as a guide to values of Political Campaign items for the various candidates beginning with the Jackson-Adams era, the earliest actual campaign items. This listing was compiled to help each collector, but should be of greater value to the newer collector. It was arranged to give an idea of values and rarity, and should help you in determining which items will be the most difficult to obtain; for items from certain campaigns are much scarcer than others.

The prices quoted for each candidate, by campaigns, are based on the more common items obtainable and in usual condition. Greater values will be placed on many items, even those of the more common variety if in choice condition or especially showy. There should also be items priced below those quoted, because of the general drab appearance and condition. Even though the guide is the result of a questionnaire, sent to a group of APIC members who are actively in the current market, probably no one will value the items exactly as they appear. We all have our favorite types and our dislikes, which affect our ideas of value. This list will be subject to yearly review and revision.

Candidate	Token	Ribbon	Ballot	Newspaper Ballot	coat & shell brass items	Candidate	1 1/2" and under pin back button			Other
							Jugate	Pres. only	Name/s	
John Quincy Adams	\$ 35-50	\$	\$	\$ 8-10	\$	Mc Kinley & Hobart	\$ 2.75	\$ 1.00	\$	\$20-25 bug
Andrew Jackson	8-10	25-30	15-18	8-10		Bryan & Sewell	2.75	1.25		25-30 "
Martin Van Buren	5-7	25-35	10-12	3-5		McKinley & Roosevelt	2.25	1.00		
Wm. Henry Harrison	2-4	12-17	8-10	3-5	8-10	Bryan & Stevenson	2.75	1.25		
James K. Polk	15-20	20-27	10-13	4-7	25-40	Roosevelt & Fairbanks	2.25	1.00		12-16 eye
Henry Clay	5-7	12-17	6-10	3-6	15-20	Parker & Davis	3.50	1.75		glasses
Zachary Taylor	5-8	20-25	8-12	5-7	12-17	Taft & Sherman 1908	2.25	.75		
Lewis Cass	10-15	25-32	15-18	6-9	30-40	Bryan & Kern	2.75	1.50		
Van Buren (F. Soil 18)	15-20	27-35	15-18	6-9	35-45	Taft & Sherman 1912	2.00	.75	.75	
Winfield Scott	4-6	15-20	6-9	4-6		Wilson & Marshall	3.25	1.25	1.00	
Franklin Pierce	5-7	20-28	6-10	4-6		T. R. & Johnson (B.M.)	15.00	2.00	1.25	
Millard Fillmore	4-5	10-15	6-10	3-5		Hughes & Fairbanks	3.50	2.00	1.00	
John C. Fremont	4-5	10-15	6-10	3-5		Wilson & Marshall 1916	2.50	1.25	1.00	
James Buchanan	4-5	12-17	6-10	3-5		Harding & Coolidge	15.00	1.00	.75	
Jeff Davis & Stephens			15-20	Ferro & Foto		Cox & F. D. R.	50.00	10.00	5.00	Rooster 3.00
Abraham Lincoln 1860	14-20	25-35	10-15	25-35		Coolidge & Dawes	3.00	2.00	.50	
Stephen Douglas	10-15	22-30	8-12	24-32		Davis & Bryan(Chas.)	25.00	14.00	7.00	
J. C. Breckinridge	10-15	22-30	8-12	24-32		Lafollette & Wheeler	12.00	4.50	2.75	Bronze 1.50
John Bell	10-15	22-30	8-12	24-32		Hoover & Curtis 1928	4.00	2.00	.75	
Abraham Lincoln 1864	12-18	30-38	7-11	25-35	C.W. \$7-10	Smith & Robinson	5.00	1.50	1.00	Derby 2.50
George McClellan	8-11	16-20	7-11	22-30	C.W. \$3-4	Hoover & Curtis 1932	4.00	2.00	.75	
John C. Fremont 1864	15-20			32-40		F. D. R. & Garner	4.00	1.00	.50	
U. S. Grant 1868	4-6	10-15	5-8	15-20		Landon & Knox 1936	2.50	1.00	.25	
Horatio Sevmour	5-8	15-20	5-8	15-20		F. D. R. & Garner	2.00	.50	.25	
U. S. Grant 1872	5-8	15-20	6-9	20-26		Willkie & McNary 1940	2.00	.50	.15	
Horace Greeley	9-12	22-28	7-10	23-29		F. D. R. & Wallace	1.00	.50	.20	
R. B. Hayes 1876	9-12	10-15	5-8	10-17		Dewey & Bricker 1944	2.50	.50	.20	
S. J. Tilden	9-12	12-17	6-9	12-18		F. D. R. & Truman	10.00	.50	.20	
James Garfield 1880	3-4	8-12	4-7	15-20	3-5	Dewey & Warren 1948	2.00	.50	.20	
Winfield S. Hancock	4-5	10-14	5-8	18-24	5-8	Truman & Barkley	3.00	1.25	.75	
Grover Cleveland 1884	3-4	8-11	2-5	5-9	3-5	Ike & Nixon 1952	1.00	.25	.10	
James G. Blaine	4-5	8-11	3-6	7-11	5-8	Stevenson & Sparkman	1.25	.25	.15	
Grover Cleveland 1888	3-4	5-8	2-5	5-9	3-5	Ike & Nixon 1956	1.00	.25	.10	
Benjamin Harrison	3-4	5-8	2-5	5-9	3-5	Stevenson & Kefauver	1.25	.35	.15	Shoe 1.50
Grover Cleveland 1892	3-4	6-9	3-5	7-12	4-6	Nixon & Lodge 1960	.50	.25	.10	
Benjamin Harrison	3-4	6-9	3-5	6-11	4-6	Kennedy & Johnson	.50	.20	.10	PT Boat 2.00

The Secretary's Corner

by Ferd O'Brien - Secretary-Treasurer.

The New Year is here, and the APIC year has been a busy one. The 1964 dues are now payable. Please send your check for three dollars today, it will be appreciated and save me a lot of worry and correspondence.

The Roster continues to grow and we welcome the following members who have joined us since our last KEYNOTER.

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THE SECRETARY'S CORNER - CONTINUED

J. F. K.

Like Thomas Jefferson, JFK was a man of many talents. Not the same ones of course, but a well conducted visit to Monticello would reveal what is meant. He handled a sailing yacht with the skill of a New England champion, and his PT boat crew thanked God that he could swim like a dolphin. He was the intellectual who wrote his own speeches and delivered them with the consummate skill that must in time, rank him among the great orators of the White House. He could also drive a golf ball three hundred yards, and Sam Snead remarked that, had he not been born a statesman he could have been a pro. He had concern for the less fortunate and for the social reforms which brought that faint bit of sunlight to their lives. His sense of humor was unmatched by the Presidents of our memory; his press conferences at times, provided greater fun than many a comedy program.

Now he is gone. Like standing near a painting, we are too close to his administration for political assessment. He is missed in big ways and in little ways. Most of all we shall miss the scene of an indestructible figure stepping from a plane; his windblown thatch of hair; the wave of his arm and that mischievous smile which bespoke his love of Americans and America with greater emphasis than the roar of a cannon. With the Attorney General, with the Senator from Massachusetts, in our own small way, we feel that the Lord has taken back our brother.

Ferd O'Brien, APIC # 103.

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A letter from Monroe D. Ray #3, tells us that he spent several months in the hospital. Happily he has made a fine recovery and gained back all the weight lost in the ordeal. In a Christmas card Monroe asks us to extend his best wishes for the season, and a new year loaded with buttons for everyone in the APIC.

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'The Guardsman' a fine newspaper published by the students of City College of San Francisco in its November 13th issue prints a photo and feature article on Henry Michalski #226. The picture shows Henry wearing some of his choice items, with many more in the background. He started collecting in 1956, and has items of Lincoln, Tyler, plus some rare minor party pins and numerous posters, programs, and cards. He feels the most unusual button is one of Eugene Debs and Ben Hanford, the Socialist Candidates of 1904 and 1908.....Henry wrote us again, after the death of President Kennedy. He is an active Young Democrat and was grieved beyond words. As an active Old Republican I also share his feelings.

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Steve Bibler #138, writes that he acquired a choice plum, long sought; a Teddy Roosevelt-Johnson jugate. Am happy for Steve, since he specializes in T. R. He recently made his sixth address of the year, on Campaigns of the Past.

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Sally Luscomb #216, and J. Harold Cobb #201, have begun a series on Counterfeits and Copies of George Washington Inaugural Buttons, in the November issue of 'Just Buttons' magazine. The plates are magnificent and the text most scholarly. Anyone interested or even contemplating owning a GW cannot afford to miss this series. There is something about politicals in most every issue; subscription is \$2.50; address, Just Buttons, Sally Lewis House, Southington, CONNECTICUT 06489.

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A special word of thanks is due Gus Miller #100. He is conducting a one man campaign for new members and take credit for nearly half of those listed in this issue. In addition he has turned up many leads--written many letters and used up a lot of postage to help swell the membership of the APIC.

The Constitution and Our 1964 Convention

The APIC Convention, a big event in 1964, is just around the corner. May seem rather early to be thinking about your vacation plans but we are asking you to do so, so we may start the many plans and committees in motion. We hope and expect to see a large percentage of our members in attendance as it will afford you the opportunity of meeting many members with whom you have been corresponding and/or reading about in the KEYNOTER. Tentative plans call for a day and a half meeting, beginning around noon and ending in late afternoon of the next day. Besides the business meeting with elections, there will be a banquet with interesting speakers (for non-members too), a real live auction of Political Americana, plus an informal swap and gab session--have we overlooked anything? It is your meeting so let us know what you would like to see included. It is an event you won't want to miss and we hope to set the date and site so that the greatest number can attend. As you know our present Constitution calls for the Convention in connection with a National Party Convention, but with Atlantic City and San Francisco the sites chosen, and from your correspondence, it seems our membership participation would be rather limited. Since we had hoped to offer a site which would attract the largest group, the Executive Board is submitting a proposed change in our Constitution, which would allow greater flexibility in choosing a site.

The Executive Board of the APIC (made up of your officers and directors) is submitting the following three proposed revisions of our Constitution. The first will allow additional Convention sites to be considered; the next will change the term of office from four to two years--from personal experience your present officers can assure that four years is a long time and this was especially brought out in the search for our present Secretary-Treasurer, few wanted to commit themselves for such a long period; the third proposal would allow each member a vote for our officers and board, rather than just those attending the Convention. All three were strongly endorsed by the Executive Board and are presented to you for your consideration and vote. We hope you will support our proposals and your vote is important, as a three-quarters majority is needed for passage. See the enclosed ballot, no better time than now to complete and return to Chick Harris, President.

In keeping with the Constitution, we are publishing the present and the proposed changes: Article I, Section 4. (Present wording.)

Each four years, during a National Political Convention, a general convention of APIC members is to be held, for purpose of election of officers and other business that may be deemed necessary. The Convention site and dates shall be selected by the President, taking into consideration the wishes of majority of those who plan to attend, as determined by returns of a questionnaire sent at least 90 days prior to the earliest proposed date. Area groups of APIC members are encouraged to work together for the good of our hobby and APIC. Annual meetings of the general membership shall be promoted, with business that is deemed necessary by the president, to be transacted. All APIC meetings are to be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order.

Article I, Section 4. (Proposed wording.)

(Same as above, except the phrase "DURING A NATIONAL POLITICAL CONVENTION" would be omitted from the first sentence.)

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Article III, Section 2. (Present wording.)

The officers and Board of Directors terms expire at Convention time in the regular Presidential election year. All shall serve without compensation, excepting for reimbursement of expenses as outlined in Article III, Section 5, above.

Article III, Section 2. (Proposed wording.)

The officers and Board of Directors terms expire every two years, at Convention time, or if no 'off year' Convention is held, July first will be the expiration date. All shall serve without compensation, excepting for reimbursement of expenses as outlined in Article III, Section 5, above.

Article IV, Section 2. (Present wording.)

All voting for office shall be by secret ballot, at the Convention. No proxy or absentee votes will be counted. Voting shall be by separate office and in this order; President, the Vice Presidents, the Secretary-Treasurer, and the Board of Directors; any one nominated but not elected may be nominated for any succeeding office.

Article IV, Section 2. (Proposed wording.)

All voting for office shall be on an official ballot furnished by the APIC. Ballots may be voted at the Convention, or may be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer or his designate, if the outer envelope bears the members signature, APIC Number, and address; and is postmarked at least ten days prior to the election date. Ballots will be tallied at the designated time, during the Convention.

Be sure to note how these proposals fit into the whole Constitution and use the enclosed ballot to vote your preference. The Executive Board of the APIC will be grateful for your support of our proposals, listed just above.

A TIMELY FIND

by J. Doyle DeWitt - APIC #25

In view of the current Civil Rights controversy, I thought perhaps APIC members would be interested in a most unusual pin-badge I recently acquired. I have never seen it listed in any of the old-time collections or in any of the hundreds of sales catalogues I have reviewed. I have attributed it to the Democratic Campaign of 1868 in which Horatio Seymour of New York was the presidential candidate against General Grant. Identifying (DeWitt) number and description follows:

#HS 1868-43 Obv. In oval, Liberty head to left with coronet inscribed LIBERTY, enclosed in a ribbon border inscribed, THIS IS A WHITE MAN'S GOVERNMENT, bow at bottom. Rev. Blank (mounted to be worn as a pin). Oval shell. Silvered White Metal 30x38mm

My reasons for attributing it to this campaign are several. The Democratic Platform of 1868 charged the Republican party had subjected the ten Southern states to negro supremacy and demanded the abolition of 'all political instrumentalities designed to secure negro supremacy'. In the September 5, 1868 issue of Harper's Weekly, Thomas Nast published a cartoon entitled 'This is a White Man's Government' which featured alleged murder and atrocities committed upon negroes in some of the Southern states. In addition, the design of the Liberty head follows very closely that of a brass shell Copperhead badge published in 1864 by Bromley and Co. of New York, prominent dealer in Copperhead publications who probably published this piece. This 1864 Bromley Copperhead badge was a shell and entirely different than the 'Official Copperhead Badge' pictured at #AW 1864-1 in my book 'A Century of Campaign Buttons' which was made by cutting the Liberty head from the large copper cent.

Does any APIC member own or have any information about this newly discovered item?

THE NATIONAL STATES' RIGHTS PARTY

(Condensed and edited from a report of their seventh conference, held in Birmingham, Alabama on September 1, 1963, submitted by Ken E. Lee)

Leaders of America's largest Fascist Political Party, the National States' Rights party, (not to be confused with the non-fascist States' Rights parties), met at the Redmont Hotel in Birmingham, Alabama. The meeting consisted mainly of speeches from the various party leaders.

The party is for States Rights, Non-integration and is very Anti-Semitic. The NSRP is exploiting the racial situation and claims that only they can stem the tide of racial integration.

The party releases a flood of propaganda, including the monthly 'THE THUNDERBOLT', which was among the first to publish an account of President Kennedy's alleged previous marriage and divorce. The NSRP agitates chiefly in the deep South but has strong units in California and Ohio.

The Birmingham Conference featured a fascist type security guard of about twelve and distributed much anti-Jewish literature. Most of the speakers were very mediocre and dealt at length upon FBI excesses etc. During a question and answer session, the National Chairman revealed that the party would support Governor George Wallace of Alabama for President if he ran, but indicated that Senator Thurmond, Gov. Ross Barnett, and General Walker, all had strong support in a party poll. The NSRP supported Governor Faubus of Arkansas in 1960, and polled 44,977 votes in four states--Alabama, Delaware, Arkansas, and Tennessee, and in the tabulation ran behind the major parties and the following minor groups, Liberal Party of New York, Alabama and Mississippi Unpledged Electors, The States' Rights Party of Louisiana, The Socialist Labor Party and the Prohibition Party--to take eighth place.

The above article about a minor party recalls to mind an article I clipped some time back about we Americans being a very minor group in the World. "Supposing that all of the people of the world were reduced to 3000, and that they were in the same proportion as to race, religion, and economics as all of the people in the world today. Of the 3000 there would be only 180 Americans; there would be 2010 non-Christians, 990 Christians of which fewer than 300 would be Protestants; there would be about 600 whites and 2400 non-whites; Politically, 240 would be card carrying Communists and 1110 would be under Communist domination. The 180 Americans would dominate in only one thing, we have half of the wealth." Doesn't this make us feel a little more humble and show what a real responsibility we have to the world...there is really no place for our own prejudices and whims.

THE BLACK SIDE OF OUR HOBBY * REPRODUCTIONS * FANTACYS * BAD DEALINGS

It has been reported to the APIC that some of the reproductions which were described in the last issue of the KEYNOTER; the 1860-64 and certain Civil War medals (in white medal) have been offered by Benj. B. DuBose of Cummings, Ga. in a recent mail list. Let's not buy these as fillers or for a spot in your collection..... The Keystone Badge Co of Reading Pennsylvania has put out another brochure listing their 'fantasy' political buttons at outrageous prices...don't get taken in....on behalf of the APIC I have written them a letter telling of our Code of Ethics and our disfavor with their activities.....Have heard from five or six members who had received an offer to sell some silk ribbons of Grant and Andrew Johnson plus several other items, by The Bookery, (an M. Leverton) of Concord, California. The members correspondence was returned, moved, left no forwarding address, or no reply was received and the checks are still unaccounted for. Should any member have any information regarding M. Leverton or the Bookery, please contact your president. Thanks.

THE BRIGHT SIDE OF OUR HOBBY - A NEW RESEARCH PROJECT

Charlie Williams #121, has agreed to head a Committee to identify and list all of the major party hopefuls (nominees for Pres. and V.P.) If you would like to help with this very worthwhile project, please contact your president.

The Proposed A. P. J. C. Convention Sites

In another article in this issue of the KEYNOTER, there is an enumeration of the Officers views of the Convention and a questioner as to location, as well as proposed changes in our Constitution.

To help you decide where we should have our Convention the following pros and cons, (which I feel are unbiased and are from personal experiences), of each proposed site are given below.

Abilene, Kansas is an attractive rural County seat town of some 8000 people. It's claim to fame is the Eisenhower home and the Museum which houses his war gifts as well as many items presented to him while President. City has-n't much to offer the non-collector in the way of scenery etc., and is usually a summer hot spot.

Chicago, Illinois is a city with sky-skrapers and many accomodations and tourist attractions. Nothing special for the P. A. collector, but great for the rest. Can be warm but the Lake often offers a cool breeze.

Hartford, Connecticut is the Capital of Connecticut and looks as if it will be the Political Americana Capital for 1964 as Mr. DeWitt writes that the Travelers Building at the Worlds Fair in NYC will NOT feature his collection as previously planned and reported in the KEYNOTER. He states it will probably be the last time his collection will be displayed in its entirety and that the America Goes To The Polls exhibit area of 1960 will be almost doubled in size. The Just-Buttons Museum is only about a half hour ride also, and a spot you won't want to miss. The summer is warm and the city of about a quarter million offers the usual large city attractions and accomodations.

Independence, Missouri, a Kansas City suburb, (3/4 million) is the home of the Truman Library and also President Truman's home-town. The display is quite an educational exhibit and the P. A. section is growing considerably. Area offers usual city attractions and accomodations. Usually a hot spot.

Springfield, Illinois is the Capital of Illinois and the center of the Land of Lincoln. Lincoln's home is just as he left it in 1860 and his hallowed Tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery is inspiring. New Salem, Illinois about twenty miles away, is a replica of the early pioneer village which saw Lincoln as Postmaster in the 1830's. The Illinois State Library has much of interest to Lincoln collectors. A neat city of some 85000, with many accomodations. Usually warm to hot in summer.

San Francisco, California, the fabulous city by the Golden Gate is renowned for its many tourist attractions. The Republican Convention of 1964 will interest the P. A. collector especially, and the cool breezes will delight all.

The Cox-Roosevelt Campaign project is nearing completion. Close to 50 items have been photographed to date, and a few more are still on the way. Should you have a Cox button, fob, or other lapel item which you feel is unusual--describe and send a sharp, actual size photo, or send the items by insured mail, items will be returned by same method.

On behalf of the Executive Committee and especially your able and efficient Secretary, Ferd, and myself, we hope you had a wonderful Holiday Season and that 64 will bring you a load of politicals. We are closing 1963 with a very nice balance in the Treasury, in spite of the many research projects and the other usual mailings. PLEASE send your 1964 dues promptly. Thanks.

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3/4-in. diameter



No. 136	Price per Dozen
100	\$ 1.00
200	2.00
500	5.00
1000	10.00
2000	20.00
5000	50.00

1-in. diameter



No. 140	Price per Dozen
100	\$ 1.25
200	2.50
500	6.25
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2000	25.00
5000	60.00

1 1/4-in. diameter



No. 150	Price per Dozen
100	\$ 1.50
200	3.00
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1000	15.00
2000	30.00
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1 1/2-in. diameter



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100	\$ 1.75
200	3.50
500	8.75
1000	17.50
2000	35.00
5000	80.00

1 3/4-in. diameter



No. 170	Price per Dozen
100	\$ 2.00
200	4.00
500	10.00
1000	20.00
2000	40.00
5000	100.00

1 7/8-in. diameter



No. 51	Price per Dozen
100	\$ 4.00
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500	20.00
1000	40.00
2000	80.00
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Half-Tone Buttons with Patent Pin Back

3/4-in. diameter



No. 336	Price per Dozen
100	\$ 1.00
200	2.00
500	5.00
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2000	20.00
5000	50.00

1 1/4-in. diameter



No. 360	Price per Dozen
100	\$ 1.25
200	2.50
500	6.25
1000	12.50
2000	25.00
5000	60.00

1 1/2-in. diameter



No. 370	Price per Dozen
100	\$ 1.50
200	3.00
500	7.50
1000	15.00
2000	30.00
5000	70.00

2 1/8-in. diameter



No. 390	Price per Doz
100	\$ 1.75
200	3.50
500	8.75
1000	17.50
2000	35.00
5000	80.00

1 3/4-in. diameter



No. 500	Price per Dozen
100	\$ 2.00
200	4.00
500	10.00
1000	20.00
2000	40.00
5000	100.00

Handsome Half-Tone Portraits of McKinley & Roosevelt surrounded by Gold Band and Flag

No. 501.

No. 501	Price per Dozen
100	\$ 1.00
200	2.00
500	5.00
1000	10.00
2000	20.00
5000	50.00



Handsome Half-Tone Portraits of McKinley & Roosevelt surrounded by Gold Band and Flag

No. 501.

No. 370 and No. 390

shown on this page are just the thing for use by Political Clubs in parades. Very large and showy.

APIC OFFICIAL BALLOT - CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

U. I. Chick Harris
 APIC President
 6223 Mardel Avenue
 St. Louis, Missouri 63109

I favor the changes in the APIC Constitution as proposed in the Winter KEYNOTER.

	YES	NO
Article I, Section 4.	☐	☐
Article III, Sect. 2.	☐	☐
Article IV, Sect. 2.	☐	☐

Signed _____ APJC# _____

APIC CONVENTION QUESTIONNEER

Only those who plan to attend our 1964 Convention should complete this questionnaire.
 Please check ALL the locations you can arrange to attend, then indicate order of preference, and most suitable dates you would prefer.

THESE SITES ARE PROPOSED ASSUMING THAT THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMMENDMENT WILL PASS.	Plan to attend	Prefer (show by #)	Can attend anytime	Can be there if held in:					
				early June	Late June	Early July	Late July	Early Aug	Late Aug
Abilene, Kansas	☐	—	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Chicago, Illinois	☐	—	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Hartford, Connecticut	☐	—	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Independence, Missouri	☐	—	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
San Francisco, Calif.	☐	—	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Springfield, Illinois	☐	—	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Other _____	☐	—	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

OUR CONVENTION WOULD BE HERE, SHOULD THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMMENDMENT NOT PASS.	Plan to attend	Yes	No	Either	Either but prefer
Atlantic City	☐	☐	☐	☐	_____
San Francisco	☐	☐	☐	☐	_____

Should the result of this questionnaire be very close or inconculsive, a further inquiry giving only the top choices will be sent those who completed this section.
 A definite location and dates should be known in time to include with our next KEYNOTER. All members will be welcome and are urged to attend, and we hope you can plan your vacations accordingly.

(Republican Convention opens in San Francisco on July 13, 1964.)
 (Democratic Convention opens in Atlantic City on August 24, 1964.)

CATALOGUE No. 62.

CAMPAIGN BUTTONS, NOVELTIES, SOUVENIRS, ETC.

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BE SURE AND ORDER BY NUMBER. Money must accompany order. Prices include payment of postage in quantities less than one gross. In quantities over one gross goods will be sent by express, charges to be paid by customer. Unless money accompanies order all goods will be sent by express C. O. D., and all charges (including charges for return of money) to be paid by customer. Prices quoted are for the goods in bulk. If mounted on cards, (one dozen on a card) 20c. per gross extra. If special designs are wanted, special prices will be quoted on request. All engravings show exact size. Electros of any design will be furnished at 25c. each net.



No. 1

Medallion, with portrait. Genuine rabbit's foot, secured by aluminum cap, suspended.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$ 1.30
" gross, 15.00

- No. 2.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.
No. 3.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President.
No. 4.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.



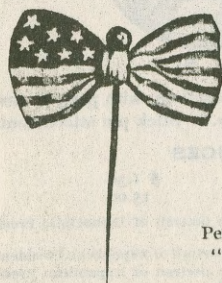
No. 49

American ribbon flag, with portrait on button in centre. Stick pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.65
" gross, 7.50

- No. 50.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.
No. 51.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President.
No. 52.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.



No. 67

"Old Glory" tied in a beautiful ribbon bow with ball pin.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.65
" gross, 7.50



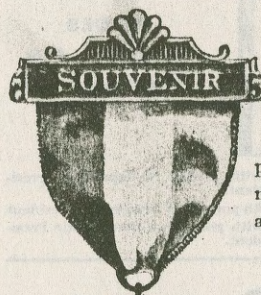
No. 41

Small medallion, suspended from a neat ribbon bow of red, white and blue ribbon. Ball pin.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$ 1.30
" gross, 15.00

- No. 42.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.
No. 43.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President.
No. 44.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.



No. 5

Small medallion, suspended from handsome metal bar by red, white and blue ribbon.

Safety pin on back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$ 1.30
" gross, 15.00

- No. 6.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.
No. 7.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President.
No. 8.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.



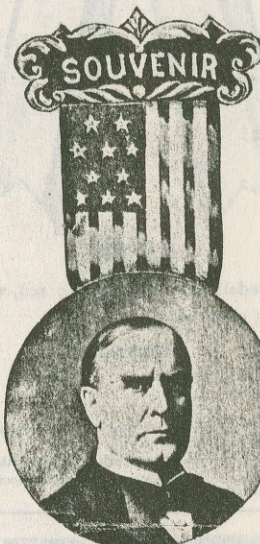
No. 13

Beautiful American ribbon flag, with portrait on medallion in centre.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.65
" gross, 7.50

- No. 14.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.
No. 15.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President.
No. 16.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.



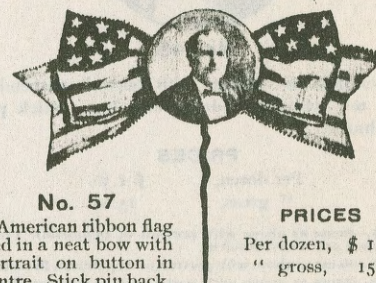
No. 25

Celluloid medallion, suspended from handsome metal bar by American flag ribbon. Safety pin on back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$ 1.30
" gross, 15.00

- No. 26.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.
No. 27.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President.
No. 28.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.



No. 57

American ribbon flag tied in a neat bow with portrait on button in centre. Stick pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$ 1.30
" gross, 15.00

- No. 58.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.
No. 59.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President.
No. 60.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.

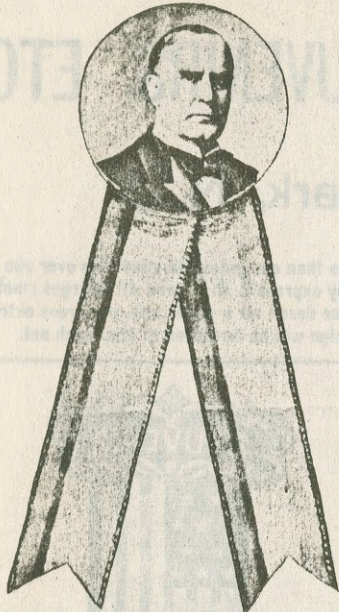


No. 66

Beautiful American flag tied in small ribbon bow; fastened with ball pin. The smallest flag bow made.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.65
" gross, 7.50



No. 33

Small medallion, with portrait; red, white and blue ribbon, suspended.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$ 1.30
" gross, 15.00

No. 34.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.

No. 35.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President

No. 36.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.



No. 45

Celluloid medallion, with portrait suspended from red, white and blue ribbon bow. Stick pin attachment.

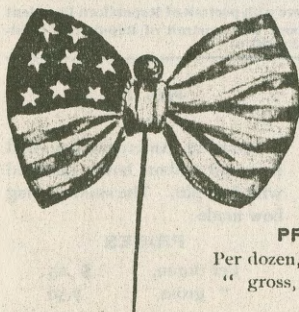
PRICES

Per dozen, \$ 1.30
" gross, 15.00

No. 46.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.

No. 47.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President

No. 48.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.

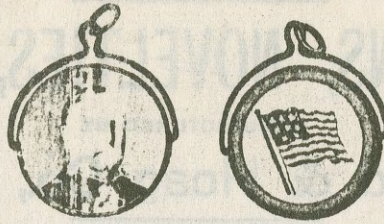


No. 68

Large American ribbon flag bow with stick pin.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$ 1.30
" gross, 15.00



No. 37

Watch C arm, with gilt rim, showing portrait on one side and "Old Glory" on reverse.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.65
" gross, 7.50

No. 38.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.

No. 39.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President

No. 40.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.



No. 53

Small medallion, with beautiful American ribbon flag suspended. Stick pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.65
" gross, 7.50

No. 54.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.

No. 55.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President

No. 56.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.



No. 65

A "New Departure Button" showing photograph of candidate in centre of silk rim. Made with screw back. "A gentleman's button;" neat and refined.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$ 3.00
" gross, 30.00

No. 69.—Same as above with photo of Republican President.



No. 29

Portrait suspended from silk American flag. Stick pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.65
" gross, 7.50

No. 30.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.

No. 31.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President.

No. 32.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.



No. 9

Portrait, surrounded by red, white and blue ribbon rosette, and with three streamers suspended.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$ 2.25
" gross, 24.00

No. 10.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.

No. 11.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President.

No. 12.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.



No. 17

A very neat design; small portrait with small American ribbon flag suspended. Stick pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.65
" gross, 7.50

No. 18.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.

No. 19.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President.

No. 20.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.



No. 21

Beautiful celluloid medallion, with portrait suspended from "Old Glory." Stick pin attachment.

PRICES

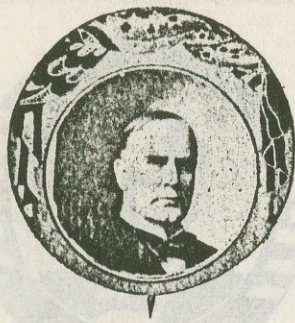
Per dozen, \$ 1.30
" gross, 15.00

No. 22.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President and Vice-President.

No. 23.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President

No. 24.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President and Vice-President.

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No. 106

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination gold border and flag. Button is $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.50
" gross, 5.00

- No. 107.—Same design of flag with silver background, showing portrait of Democratic President.
No. 160.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 192.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 88

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination gold border and flag. Button is $\frac{7}{8}$ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.25
" gross, 2.00

- No. 89.—Same design of flag with silver background, showing portrait of Democratic President.
No. 151.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 183.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 90

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination gold border and flag. Button is $\frac{7}{8}$ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.25
" gross, 2.00

- No. 91.—Same design of flag with silver background, showing portrait of Democratic President.
No. 152.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 184.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 113

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination silver border and flag. Button is $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.50
" gross, 5.00

- No. 112.—Same design of flag with gold background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 163.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 195.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 74

Handsome executed portrait in illuminated colors upon a gold background. Button is $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.30
" gross, 3.00

- No. 76.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President upon a silver background.
No. 75.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President upon a white background.
No. 77.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President upon a white background.



No. 70

Handsome executed portrait in illuminated colors upon a silver background. Button is $\frac{7}{8}$ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.25
" gross, 2.00

- No. 71.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President upon a gold background.
No. 72.—Same as above with portrait of Democratic President upon a white background.
No. 73.—Same as above with portrait of Republican President upon a white background.



No. 109

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination silver border, and red, white and blue bow knot design. Button is $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. in diameter, and made up with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.50
" gross, 5.00

- No. 108.—Same design of bow knot with gold background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 161.—Same design of bow knot with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 193.—Same design of bow knot with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



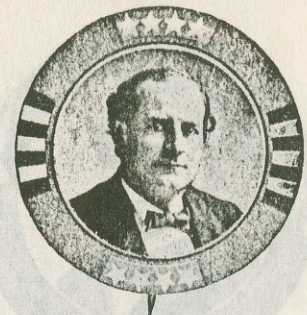
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Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination gold border and flag. Button is $\frac{7}{8}$ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.25
" gross, 2.00

- No. 93.—Same design of flag with silver background, showing portrait of Democratic President.
No. 153.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 185.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 115

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination silver border and flag. Button is $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.50
" gross, 5.00

- No. 114.—Same design of flag with gold background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 164.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 196.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



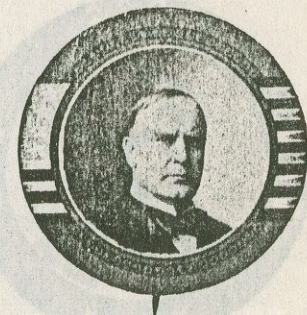
No. 86

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination gold border, and red, white and blue bow knot design. This is the most popular sized campaign button made and has our celebrated pin back. Size of button is $\frac{7}{8}$ in. in diameter. We have an unlimited capacity for manufacturing these and can ship an quantity with any desired portrait quickly.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.25
" gross, 2.00

- No. 87.—Same design of bow knot with silver background, showing portrait of Democratic President.
No. 150.—Same design of bow knot with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 182.—Same design of bow knot with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 110

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination gold border and flag. Button is $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.50
" gross, 5.00

- No. 111.—Same design of flag with silver background, showing portrait of Democratic President.
No. 162.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 194.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.

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No. 116

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination gold border and flag. Button is 2½ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.75
" gross, 7.00

- No. 117.—Same design of flag with silver background, showing portrait of Democratic President.
No. 165.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 197.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



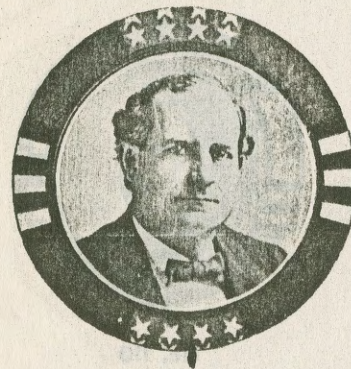
No. 97

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination silver border and flag. Button is 1¼ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.30
" gross, 3.00

- No. 96.—Same design of flag with gold background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 155.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 187.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 119

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination silver border and flag. Button is 2½ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.75
" gross, 7.00

- No. 118.—Same design of flag with gold background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 168.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 198.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 98

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination gold border and flag. Button is 1¼ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.30
" gross, 3.00

- No. 99.—Same design of flag with silver background, showing portrait of Democratic President.
No. 156.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 188.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 120

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination gold border, and red, white and blue bow knot design. Button is 2½ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.75
" gross, 7.00

- No. 121.—Same design of bow knot with silver background, showing portrait of Democratic President.
No. 167.—Same design of bow knot with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 199.—Same design of bow knot with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



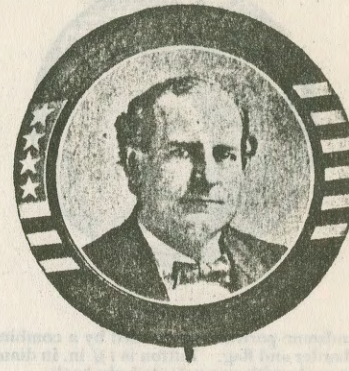
No. 101

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination silver border and flag. Button is 1¼ in. in diameter, and is made up with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.30
" gross, 3.00

- No. 100.—Same design of flag with gold background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 157.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 189.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 123

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination silver border and flag. Button is 2½ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.75
" gross, 7.00

- No. 122.—Same design of flag with gold background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 169.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 200.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 102

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination gold border; red, white and blue bow knot design. Button is 1¼ in. in diameter, and is made up with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.30
" gross, 3.00

- No. 103.—Same design of bow knot with silver background, showing portrait of Democratic President.
No. 158.—Same design of bow knot with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 190.—Same design of bow knot with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.



No. 124

Handsome portrait surrounded by a combination gold border and flag. Button is 2½ in. in diameter, and is made with our patented pin back.

PRICES

Per dozen, \$.75
" gross, 7.00

- No. 125.—Same design of flag with silver background, showing portrait of Democratic President.
No. 169.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Republican President.
No. 201.—Same design of flag with white background, showing portrait of Democratic President.

This is not a price list, but strickly to be considered as a guide to values of Political Campaign items for the various candidates beginning with the Jackson-Adams era, the earliest actual campaign items. This listing was compiled to help each collector, but should be of greater value to the newer collector. It was arranged to give an idea of values and rarity, and should help you in determining which items will be the most difficult to obtain; for items from certain campaigns are much scarcer than others.

The prices quoted for each candidate, by campaigns, are based on the more common items obtainable and in usual condition. Greater values will be placed on many items, even those of the more common variety if in choice condition or especially showy. There should also be items priced below those quoted, because of the general drab appearance and condition. Even though the guide is the result of a questionnaire, sent to a group of APIC members who are actively in the current market, probably no one will value the items exactly as they appear. We all have our favorite types and our dislikes, which affect our ideas of value. This list will be subject to yearly review and revision.

Candidate	Token	Ribbon	Ballot	Newspaper Ballot	coat & shell brass items	Candidate	1 1/2" and under pin back button			Other
							Jugate	Pres. only	Name/s	
John Quincy Adams	\$ 35-50	\$	\$	\$ 8-10	\$	Mc Kinley & Hobart	\$ 2.75	\$ 1.00	\$	\$20-25 bug
Andrew Jackson	8-10	25-30	15-18	8-10		Bryan & Sewell	2.75	1.25		25-30 "
Martin Van Buren	5-7	25-35	10-12	3-5		McKinley & Roosevelt	2.25	1.00		
Wm. Henry Harrison	2-4	12-17	8-10	3-5	8-10	Bryan & Stevenson	2.75	1.25		
James K. Polk	15-20	20-27	10-13	4-7	25-40	Roosevelt & Fairbanks	2.25	1.00		12-16 eye
Henry Clay	5-7	12-17	6-10	3-6	15-20	Parker & Davis	3.50	1.75		glasses
Zachary Taylor	5-8	20-25	8-12	5-7	12-17	Taft & Sherman 1908	2.25	.75		
Lewis Cass	10-15	25-32	15-18	6-9	30-40	Bryan & Kern	2.75	1.50		
Van Buren (F. Soil 1848)	15-20	27-35	15-18	6-9	35-45	Taft & Sherman 1912	2.00	.75		
Winfield Scott	4-6	15-20	6-9	4-6		Wilson & Marshall	3.25	1.25	1.00	
Franklin Pierce	5-7	20-28	6-10	4-6		T. R. & Johnson (B.M.)	15.00	2.00	1.25	
Millard Fillmore	4-5	10-15	6-10	3-5		Hughes & Fairbanks	3.50	2.00	1.00	
John C. Fremont	4-5	10-15	6-10	3-5		Wilson & Marshall 1916	2.50	1.25	1.00	
James Buchanan	4-5	12-17	6-10	3-5		Harding & Coolidge	15.00	1.00	.75	
Jeff Davis & Stephens			15-20	Ferro & Foto		Cox & F. D. R.	50.00	10.00	5.00	Rooster 3.00
Abraham Lincoln 1860	14-20	25-35	10-15	25-35		Coolidge & Dawes	3.00	2.00	.50	
Stephen Douglas	10-15	22-30	8-12	24-32		Davis & Bryan(Chas.)	25.00	14.00	7.00	
J. C. Breckinridge	10-15	22-30	8-12	24-32		Lafollette & Wheeler	12.00	4.50	2.75	Bronze 1.50
John Bell	10-15	22-30	8-12	24-32		Hoover & Curtis 1928	4.00	2.00	.75	
Abraham Lincoln 1864	12-18	30-38	7-11	25-35	C.W. 2 \$7-10	Smith & Robinson	5.00	1.50	1.00	Derby 2.50
George McClellan	8-11	16-20	7-11	22-30	C.W. 2 \$3-4	Hoover & Curtis 1932	4.00	2.00	.75	
John C. Fremont 1864	15-20			32-40		F. D. R. & Garner	4.00	1.00	.50	
U. S. Grant 1868	4-6	10-15	5-8	15-20		Landon & Knox 1936	2.50	1.00	.25	
Horatio Seymour	5-8	15-20	5-8	15-20		F. D. R. & Garner	2.00	.50	.25	
U. S. Grant 1872	5-8	15-20	6-9	20-26		Willkie & McNary 1940	2.00	.50	.15	
Horace Greeley	9-12	22-28	7-10	23-29		F. D. R. & Wallace	1.00	.50	.20	
R. B. Hayes 1876	9-12	10-15	5-8	10-17		Dewey & Bricker 1944	2.50	.50	.20	
S. J. Tilden	9-12	12-17	6-9	12-18		F. D. R. & Truman	10.00	.50	.20	
James Garfield 1880	3-4	8-12	4-7	15-20	3-5	Dewey & Warren 1948	2.00	.50	.20	
Winfield S. Hancock	4-5	10-14	5-8	18-24	5-8	Truman & Barkley	3.00	1.25	.75	
Grover Cleveland 1884	3-4	8-11	2-5	5-9	3-5	Ike & Nixon 1952	1.00	.25	.10	
James G. Blaine	4-5	8-11	3-6	7-11	5-8	Stevenson & Sparkman	1.25	.25	.15	
Grover Cleveland 1888	3-4	5-8	2-5	5-9	3-5	Ike & Nixon 1956	1.00	.25	.10	
Benjamin Harrison	3-4	5-8	2-5	5-9	3-5	Stevenson & Kefauver	1.25	.35	.15	Shoe 1.50
Grover Cleveland 1892	3-4	6-9	3-5	7-12	4-6	Nixon & Lodge 1960	.50	.25	.10	
Benjamin Harrison	3-4	6-9	3-5	6-11	4-6	Kennedy & Johnson	.50	.20	.10	PT Boat 2.00

THE JOHN W. DAVIS-CHARLES W. BRYAN CAMPAIGN OF 1924.

by U. I. Chick Harris - APIC #139

Political Campaign items from the Davis-Bryan campaign are some of the most elusive of the 'pin-back' era. There was no great variety or quantity of items, as the campaign did not generate much enthusiasm. It was during the era of Normalcy, America First, and Prosperity, and personal identification with a cause or political party was at a low point. This was also the first campaign in which radio played a part as a media to reach the masses, undoubtedly this also accounts for fewer buttons and other promotion items.

The long Democratic Party Convention called attention to the division within the party, and many liberals who normally would have been for Davis were attracted to fightin' Bob LaFollette, the Progressive Party candidate. LaFollette polled nearly five million votes, Davis some over eight million, but Coolidge received almost two and a half million more than all other candidates combined, a decisive victory.

About the only issue was the Republican's Tea Pot Dome scandal, but it seems that it wasn't utilized as much as one might have expected. Only a small variety of Tea Pot Dome items were made and few preserved, even though the Progressives and Communists, as well as the Democrats issued pin backs calling attention to the scandal. One of the 1924 Communist buttons in my collection, bears the following inscription: "DOWN WITH TEA POT DOME CAPITALISM, FORWARD WITH A FARMERS-WORKERS GOVERNMENT". The voters though, did not buy the big issue of the day--which just proves that as always, the best vote getter of all, is PROSPERITY.

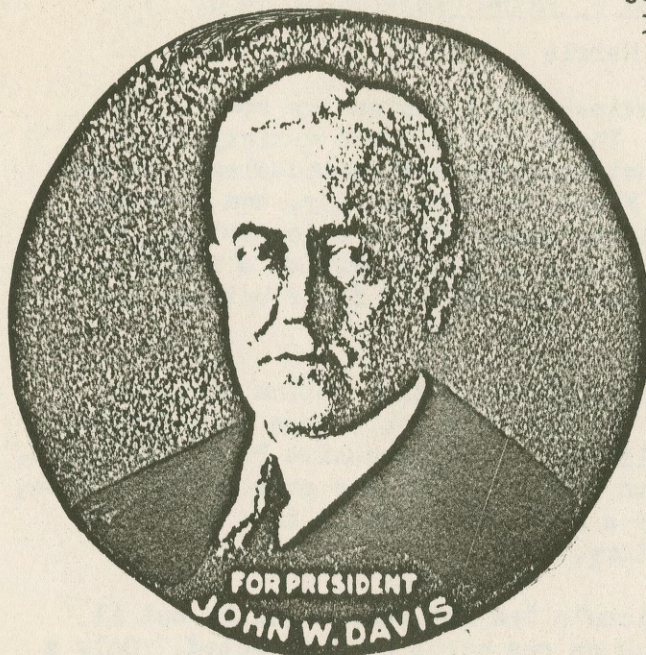
Special thanks to the following, who have either sent items or photos of items which could be included in this research project: Joseph Brown, #95; Kenton Broyles, #129; J. Doyle DeWitt, #25; Ferd O'Brien, #103; Harold C. Baxter, and the Wisconsin Historical Society. Thanks also to the many collectors who have swapped Davis buttons with me over the years, as no collection of twenty-five Davis buttons is possible without having been helped considerably by others.

A majority of my Davis buttons were added one at a time, except for a collection I purchased and one group of four items. The four consisted of a sepia poster, button #13, button #26, and lapel tab #30; I especially like the poster as it has a notation on the back, "I cast my first vote for John W. Davis of West Virginia. He was much the better man but he didn't win". Undoubtedly this statement is reflected by the actions of those who have thought enough of their choice, to keep items from the losers for years. Today when we find these buried treasures, we reflect and realize that John Q. Public has long forgotten many. Not one in a hundred, and even very few older, and loyal Democrats, can recall that their favorite in 1924 was John W. Davis.

If your collection is without a Davis button, don't become discouraged, for it was several years after I had been collecting until I acquired my first. This acquisition is still a fond memory, and I'm sure all will agree that one of the real thrills of collecting is the first Davis button.

DAVIS-BRYAN CAMPAIGN ITEMS IDENTIFIED BY APIC NUMBERS.

John William Davis & Charles W. Bryan
 1924 Democratic Candidates
 Popular Vote-8,385,586
 Electoral Vote-136
 Carried 12 States



APIC# 1924D1



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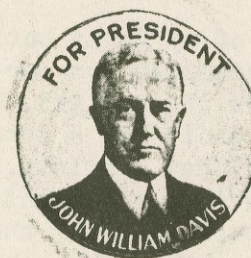
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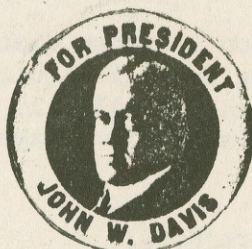
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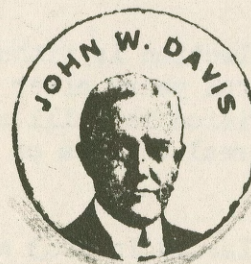
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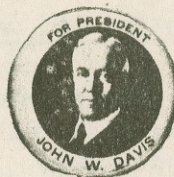
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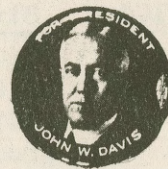
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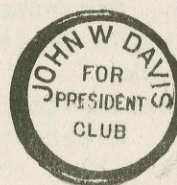
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DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS PICTURED ON PRECEDING PAGES.

APIC#	Size, description and manufacturer.
1924 D1	3" Celluloid, white photo and lettering on chocolate brown. Mfgr. unknown.
1924 D2	2" Celluloid, (design similar to paper item) area outside square and VICTORY in red; DAIS BRAN, photos and outer line in blue on white background. Mfgr. unknown.
1924 D3	(shown oversize) 1 3/16 x 7/8" Celluloid, black on ivory. Parisian Nov. Co. Chicago.
1924 D4	7/8" Celluloid, grey white photos, white letters on black. Bastian Bros.
1924 D5	1 1/2" Celluloid Fob, white letters and photo on medium blue. Mfgr. unknown.
1924 D6	1 1/4" Celluloid, grey white photo on ivory; FOR PRESIDENT in black, JOHN WILLIAM DAVIS in white. Novelty Supply Co., Pittsburgh.
1924 D7	1 1/4" Celluloid, black photo and lettering on ivory, Henry Schwartz, N.Y.
1924 D8	1 1/4" Celluloid, black photo and lettering on white, Western B. & B. Co.-L. A.
1924 D9	7/8" Celluloid, white lettering, grey white photo on dark grey, St. Louis Button Co.
1924 D10	7/8" Celluloid, sepia on ivory. Mfgr. ?, union label impressed in medal.
1924 D11	7/8" Celluloid, black on white. Mfgr. ?, U derwood & Underwood photos noted on border.
1924 D12	13/16" Celluloid, lettering and union label in white, grey white photo, black background. Bastian Bros.
1924 D13	7/8" Celluloid, white on light grey. Whitehead & Hoag
1924 D14	7/8" Celluloid, white on light brown. Whitehead & Hoag
1924 D15	13/16" Litho, white lettering, grey photo on black. Geraghty & Co., Chi.
1924 D16	11/16" Litho, light grey on darker grey. American Art Works, Coshocton, O.
1924 D17	7/8" Celluloid, white lettering on purple. Bastian Bros.
1924 D18	13/16" Litho, DAVIS in white on red, AND in blue on white, BRYAN in white on blue. Greenduck, Chicago.
1924 D19	13/16" Litho, white lettering, red stripe across middle, balance is blue. Greenduck.
1924 D20	3/4" Litho, similar to D19 but with very convex face and small emblem on inner side. Greenduck.
1924 D21	3/4" Litho, dark blue on white. Greenduck.
1924 D22	11/16" Litho, blue top, lettering all blue on white, red at bottom. American Art Works.
1924 D23	7/8" Litho, red border, blue lettering on white. Greenduck.
1924 D24	7/8" Celluloid, blue letting on ivory. Whitehead and Hoag.
1924 D25	13/16" Litho, DAIS, BRAN and stars in blue, VICTORY in red, on a white background. Geraghty & Co.
1924 D26	15/16" Litho, white lettering on blue. Greenduck.
1924 D27	7/8" Celluloid, lettering and emblem blue on white. Mfgr. ?, union label impressed in medal.
1924 D28	7/8" Celluloid, black lettering on white. Mfgr. Unknown.
1924 D29	1" Litho, blue teapot on white, DOOM in white. Greenduck.
1924 D30	3/4 x 1" lapel tab, white letters on blue. Mfgr. Unknown.
1924 D31	5/8" Celluloid, ivory lettering on black. American Art Works.
1924 D32	5/8" Litho, white capital and lettering, teapot brown, on brown background. Mfgr. ?, plain gold
1924 D33	5/8" Celluloid, red rooster and numbers on white. Whitehead & Hoag.

Note: The 5/8" celluloid DAVIS and BROWN often considered as a John W. Davis item, was issued for Pennsylvania candidates James J. Davis for Senator, and Francis S. Brown for Governor (1930).

***** AMERICAN POLITICAL ITEMS COLLECTORS APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP *****

Complete and send with proper amount of dues to: Mr. Ferdinand W. O'Brien
A.P.I.C. Secretary-Treasurer
4142 W. 148th Street
Midlothian, Illinois

(Dues \$3.00 per calendar year;)
(\$1.50 if joining after July 1.)

Please consider my application for membership in the APIC. I agree to abide by the Constitution of the APIC and will complete the questions below, which may be used for the roster code. (Appropriate square in each group must be checked.)

I am in age group ☐ under 21
☐ 21 to 40
☐ Over 40

I am a Political Americana ☐ Collector
☐ Dealer
☐ _____ (specify)

My interests are ☐ Presidential items only
☐ Local, State, and Presidential
☐ _____ (if you have a limited field)

Interested in ☐ All types of items
☐ Only small types (buttons, badges, etc.)
☐ _____ (if very limited type collection)

Size of Collection ☐ Beginner
☐ 500 to 2000 items
☐ Over 2000 items

Other information ☐ Interested in purchasing items
☐ Will entertain trades and reply to proposals
☐ Offer duplicate items for sale
☐ DO NOT WISH TO CORRESPOND

Other comments: _____

_____. Recommended by _____.

Please print - name and address _____

city, zone, & state _____

phone number (home) () business ()
area area

Occupation _____

Signed _____

AMERICAN POLITICAL ITEMS COLLECTORS

CODE OF ETHICS ON REPRODUCTIONS

I. POLICY

The production and sale of reproductions of political items is detrimental to Political Americana as a hobby. Reproductions have been and are initiated, produced and sold primarily for profit motives without regard to the effect on the hobby. Reproductions give rise to fraud, deception and doubt. Above all they cause a loss of respect for and a diversion of interest from genuine political material.

II. BANNED ITEMS

A banned item shall be an item included in any of the following categories subject to the exceptions contained in Section V:

- (A) Any political reproduction having one side or more in general imitation of a political item theretofore existing.
- (B) Any imaginary or fake item pretending to be a political item which theretofore might have existed but which actually did not exist in any state as an item used in the election or at the time pretended.

III. POLITICAL ITEMS

- (A) A political item shall constitute a coin, token, medal (or medalet), ferrotype, celluloid button, lithographed tin button, shank button, lapel tab, badge, ribbon, poster, sheet music, cane, lantern, umbrella, fan, torchlight, plate, mug, tumbler, watch fob, postcard, ticket, ballot, handbill, jewelery, pennant, banner, print, blown or molded glass flask, automobile decoration, book, and any other items generally included in the field of Political Americana.
- (B) A political item shall include items from any geographical area or any period. It shall include items in connection with any national, state or local candidate or any political party.

IV. GUIDES

It shall not affect the status of a banned item:

- (A) Whether the item has been struck, cast, molded, electrotyped, printed by means of moveable type or by offset lithography, manufactured in a manner used to produce celluloid buttons, altered, or reproduced by any other means.

- (B) Whether the dies or molds, if any, from which it was produced originated through direct cutting, punching, casting, transfer hubs, spark erosion, impact or any other means.
- (C) Whether it is marked "copy", "restrike", "fantasy", "Kettle", "Becker", or any other differentiating words, letters symbols, either raised, incuse or in another manner.
- (D) Whether or not it is made of any particular material.
- (E) Whether or not its nature was or was not originally or at any previous occasion disclosed.

V. EXCEPTIONS

- (A) Conditional acceptance is granted to a token or medal one side only of which has been reproduced by a collector's organization or individual in commemoration of an event; provided, such an item consists of two sides, each integral to the whole, and that the reverse clearly states that the obverse is a reproduction and provides a statement as to purpose and date of issue.
- (B) Acknowledgement is hereby made that during the middle and late 19th century certain earlier medalets were restruck and distributed usually without any identifying marks. Many of these pieces are noted in A Century of Campaign Buttons, 1789-1889 by J. Doyle DeWitt. Also, several types of George Washington inaugural shank buttons were reproduced during the centennial celebration in 1889. These are identified in the book, Washington Historical Buttons by Alphaeus H. Albert. It is not the intention of this Code to ban such items produced prior to the 20th century, provided that appropriate descriptive language is used in any written description of such items.
- (C) A photograph or other similar two dimensional pictorial representation of a political item shall not be considered as a banned item, except that pictorial representations of paper political items other than photographs shall be banned items unless published as a physical part of a written text.

VI. UNDESIRABLE PRACTICE

Selling, advertising for sale, offering for sale, manufacturing or procuring the manufacture of any banned item, having knowledge of its status as such, shall be an undesirable practice. Mere ownership or possession of a banned item shall not be an undesirable practice.

VII. DENIAL OF PRIVILEGES

Any person, firm or corporation (including any person participating in the management of any such firm or corporation) committing an undesirable practice as above defined may be denied membership or be expelled from membership in American Political Items Collectors and be subject to other appropriate action as provided in Section 2 of the Constitution of APIC.

AMERICAN POLITICAL ITEMS COLLECTORS CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name, Area, Purpose, Fiscal Year and Meetings

Section 1: The American Political Items Collectors is a Not-for-Profit Corporation. (APIC)

Section 2: The APIC shall encourage the collection, preservation, and study of political tokens, medals, buttons, badges and all types of items pertaining to the election of President and other political officials of the U.S.A.. The APIC strongly condemns the issuance of restrikes, facsimiles, copies, etc., of all types of Political Americana, and will exclude from membership all those who engage in these endeavors, and publish full details of our disapproval. We urge all members to report any known sources to the President for action as may deemed fitting and proper. All members are encouraged to work closely with historical societies, museums, and other organizations that have similar interests in Political Americana, so that Political Americana may attain its rightful place in our American Heritage.

Section 3: The fiscal year of the APIC shall coincide with the regular calendar year.

Section 4: Each four years, during a National Political Convention, a general convention of APIC members is to be held, for purpose of election of officers and other business that may be deemed necessary. The Convention site and dates shall be selected by the President, taking into consideration the wishes of the majority of those who plan to attend, as determined by returns of a questionnaire sent at least 90 days prior to the earliest proposed date. Area groups of APIC members are encouraged to work together for the good of our hobby and APIC. Annual meetings of the general membership shall be promoted, with business that is deemed necessary by the President to be transacted. All APIC meetings are to be conducted according to Robers Rules of Order.

Section 5: In the absence of the President at any APIC function, any of the Vice Presidents who will attend, shall be selected by the President to preside. Should the Secretary-Treasurer be unable to attend, the presiding officer shall designate any member present to serve in that capacity at such meeting. Minutes are to be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer ten days after the meeting.

ARTICLE II

Membership and Dues

Section 1: The APIC shall have the following classes of membership: Active, Emeritus, and Honorary.

Section 2: Those who are of good character and reputation and interested in the collection and preservation of Political Americana as defined above, shall be eligible as active members; emeritus membership and office may be extended in unusual circumstances, by a two-thirds vote at a duly authorized meeting. Emeritus members are entitled to all privileges except they may not hold a regular office, nor or, they subject to dues. Honorary membership may be extended to those who have done much to further our hobby or the APIC, by two-thirds vote and are not subject to dues or may they vote or hold office.

Section 3: Application for active membership shall be made on forms furnished by the Secretary-Treasurer. Each applicant shall furnish complete information and must be approved by a member in good standing. Applications with the proper amount of dues shall be forwarded to the Secretary-Treasurer and accepted members will be sent a duly signed membership card, copy of the Constitution, current roster and pertinent communications. All members to be notified of new or dropped members quarterly.

Section 4: Membership dues shall be \$3.00 per year, payable in advance to the Secretary-Treasurer. All dues become due each January first and all members are to be sent a notice of expiration of dues by December 20 and followed again by January 15. Payment must be in the Treasurers hands by February first to insure inclusion in the roster, which is to be issued by March first. Those accepted for membership after June 30 shall pay dues of \$1.50. Any member may be dropped, for good reason, as determined by majority vote of the Executive Board.

Section 5: No debts shall be contracted in the name of the APIC, without the written consent of the President. Supplies, stationery, and related items used in the conduct of the respective offices and committees, shall be reimbursed upon presentation of a paid bill; no office machines or similar equipment is to be included in this category, unless especially approved by the Executive Board. Annual summary of expenditures and Treasurers report to be reported to membership annually. Treasurer's books and records may be subject to audit, at any time, upon thirty days written notice, by the President or the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III

Officers and Board of Directors

Section 1: The APIC shall have a President; three Vice-Presidents, each of whom shall represent a different geographical section of the country; a Secretary-Treasurer; and six members of the Board of Directors. The Officers and Board of Directors shall constitute an Executive Board and by majority decisions may make major policy decisions and remove officers from their office. Vacancies between elections are to be filled by the President with majority approval of the Executive Board. Vacancy in the office of President to be filled by majority decision of the Executive Board, with the Secretary-Treasurer acting as Chairman.

Section 2: The Officers and Board of Directors terms expire at Convention time in the regular Presidential election year. All shall serve without compensation, excepting for reimbursement of expenses as outlined in Article II, Section 5, above.

Section 3: The Officers shall be responsible for the conduct of the affairs of the APIC, and have the usual duties delegated to their respective offices.

ARTICLE IV

Voting

Section 1: Ninety days before the election, a Nominating Committee, consisting of three active members, shall be appointed by the President. This committee shall present to the President and Secretary-Treasurer a slate of nominees together with their acceptance in writing, sixty days prior to the election. Any member may also file a nominating petition, following the above rules, if signed by ten active members in good standing, to nominate for one office or a slate of offices. The Secretary-Treasurer shall send to all members a list of all nominees, at least thirty days prior to the election.

Section 2: All voting for office shall be by secret ballot, at the Convention. No proxy or absentee votes will be counted. Voting shall be by separate office and in this order: President, the Vice Presidents, the Secretary-Treasurer, and the Board of Directors; any one nominated but not elected may be nominated for any succeeding office.

Section 3: All active and emeritus members, in good standing, shall be entitled to one vote. The President shall have a vote in secret balloting but may vote in voice votes, to make or break a tie; tie votes losing.

Section 4: Elections shall be conducted by the presiding officer, as the first order of new business, and those elected shall assume office immediately upon completion of the balloting. A majority vote, of those voting, shall cause election.

ARTICLE V

Committees

Section 1: The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee as set forth in Article IV, and he may appoint other committees as he deems necessary and desirable. He is ex-officio member of all committees.

ARTICLE VI

Amendments

Section 1: This Constitution may be altered or amended only if the proposed change is originated by a majority decision of the Executive Board, or by a group of ten active members acting collectively. Proposed change, duly signed, is to be submitted to the President and Secretary-Treasurer sixty days before vote. Secretary-Treasurer is to publish the proposed change, as well as the present section, to the membership, at least thirty days before the voting. Voting is to be by ballot, with each member having one vote. Passage by a three-quarters majority, of those voting, is required. The membership is to be notified of the outcome in the next publication.